

AS

BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF  
SOUTH CAROLINA  
DOCKET NO. 96-249-C - ORDER NO. 97-49  
JANUARY 16, 1997

IN RE: Request of Ronald L. Taylor, Principal ) ORDER  
of Latta High School, 606 N. Richardson ) GRANTING  
Street, Latta, SC 29565, for Waiver of ) REQUEST IN  
COCOT Guidelines. ) PART

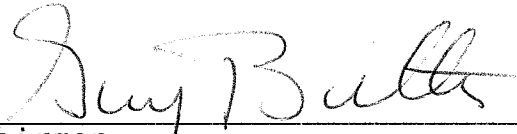
This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of Latta High School to modify the rates presently applicable to its Coin Operated Customer Owned Telephone (COCOT). The telephone number in question is (803) 752-9189. The Principal of the High School requests that the rates be changed from 10¢ to 25¢, and that a time limit of two (2) minutes be placed on each call. The Principal believes that this will prevent the problems that they are experiencing from occurring so frequently. This would require a waiver of certain COCOT guidelines.

The Commission has examined this matter, and agrees that the rate for the pay telephone in question should be changed from 10¢ per message to 25¢ for each four (4) minute increment. Four minutes is a time that is consistent with our rulings in the past on these issues. After much consideration, we had decided that a two (2) minute time limit on payphones was insufficient. We therefore hold that the payphone in question may be converted to a

rate of 25¢ per four (4) minute increment.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until  
further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

  
Chairman

ATTEST:

  
Executive Director

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